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# MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

Subj: EXPANSION OF SEAPORT-E TO THE VIRTUAL SYSCOM

The Virtual SYSCOM will begin acquiring Engineering, Financial and Program Management services under Seaport Enhanced (SeaPort-e) in May 2005.

SeaPort-e makes electronic procurement of Engineering, Technical and Programmatic support services at NAVSEA a reality. SeaPort-e provides NAVSEA Warfare Centers and other NAVSEA field activities a common set of Multiple Award Contract (MAC) vehicles, to satisfy all service requirements.

Advantages of SeaPort-e include: electronic processing; leveraging buying power and increased emphasis on past performance in the source selection process; strong small business participation; ability to easily set aside competitions for small businesses; and real time reporting and Business Intelligence. A critical component is the rolling admissions provision that provides an opportunity for addition of competitive sources.

The Commanders of the Navy Virtual System Command are leveraging the successes and efficiencies of SeaPort-e by designating SeaPort-e the vehicle of choice for future Engineering, Financial, and Progam Management contractor support services. This emphasizes their focus on implementing cost-effective integrated business practices to better support our Navy.

I encourage you to visit the SeaPort-e web site (www.seaport.navy.mil) to gain a better understanding of SeaPort-e and the SeaPort-e industry team partners. Please advise your contractors that follow-on requirements will be acquired via SeaPort-e. Therefore, if they are interested in being considered for follow on awards, they should respond to the solicitation for expansion of SeaPort-e, which will be released this month.

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